GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
WATER RESOURCES
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:524
ANSWERED ON:03.05.2000
WATER PRICING AUTHORITY
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Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to the news-item captioned "water pricing authority proposed" appearing in the Times of India dated December 2, 1999;

(b) if so, whether the National Commission on Water Resources has recommended reforms and changes in the law relating to the water policy;

(c) if so, the details of recommendations made by the Commission; and

(d) the extent to which the Government have accepted the recommendations?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (DR. C.P. THAKUR)

(a) to (d) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

ANNEXURE-I
STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5782 FOR 3.5.2000

State-wise details of Net Irrigated Area (NIA), Net Sown Area (NSA) and percentage of NIA to NSA

(In thousand hectares)

Sl.No.	States	Net Sown Area (NSA)	Net Irrigated Area (NIA)	% of NIA to NSA
1	Andhra Pradesh	10834	4395	40.57
2	Arunachal Pradesh	185	36	19.46
3	Assam	2744	572	20.85
4	Bihar	7337	3624	49.39
5	Goa	139	23	16.55
6	Gujarat	9600	3042	31.69
7	Haryana	3615	2755	76.21
8	Himachal Pradesh	558	105	18.82
9	Jammu & Kashmir	733	313	42.70
10	Karnataka	10610	2325	21.91
11	Kerala	2269	357	15.73
12	Madhya Pradesh	19794	6399	32.33
13	Maharashtra	17876	2567	14.36
14	Manipur	140	65	46.43
15	Meghalaya	216	45	20.83
16	Mizoram	109	7	6.42
17	Nagaland	225	62	27.56
18	Orissa	5968	2090	35.02
19	Punjab	4139	3847	92.95
20	Rajasthan	16790	5588	33.28
21	Sikkim	95	16	16.84
22	Tamil Nadu	5486	2892	52.72
23	Tripura	277	35	12.64
24	Uttar Pradesh	17475	11999	68.66
25	West Bengal	5463	1911	34.98
	Total States	142677	55070	38.60
	Total UTs	142	73	51.41
	Grand Total	142819	55143	38.61

Note: Figures are as per Land Use Statistics brought out by the Ministry of Agriculture for the year 1996-97 (latest) and are Provisional.